

**Other Tobaccos**
1999 Support Program**Dark Air-Cured****Fire-Cured****Sun-Cured****Cigar Filler & Binder****Legislative Authority**

The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, authorizes marketing quotas on an acreage allotment basis for various kinds of tobacco, except cigar wrapper and perique. The Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, sets the price support at the previous year's level,

with an annual adjustment based on the change in a parity index average.

Marketing Quotas

Marketing quotas, having been approved by more than two-thirds of the producers, are in effect for the following tobaccos and crop years:

Kind (type)	Crop Years			Referendum Date
Sun-Cured (37)	1998	1999	2000	March 1998
Cigar Filler and Binder (42-44 & 53-55)	1999	2000	2001	March 1999
Fire-Cured (21-22-23)	1997	1998	1999	March 1997
Dark Air-Cured (35-36)	1997	1998	1999	March 1997

Producers in March 1998 disapproved marketing quotas for 1998, 1999, and 2000 crops of Maryland (type 32), Pennsylvania cigar-filler (type 41), and Connecticut Valley cigar-binder (types 51-52) tobaccos. The next referenda for those three kinds are scheduled to be held in March 2001.

In addition, a referendum was held in March 1996 for Cigar Filler (Type 46) tobacco in which no one voted. Because this kind of tobacco is no longer grown, a special ruling was made accepting the referendum as a "No" vote and absolving producers from future referenda

unless they actively petition the Secretary of Agriculture to reinstate the quota process.

Acreage Allotments

Following are 1999 national acreage allotments compared to 1998:

Kind (type)	1999 Allotment (acres)	1998 Allotment (acres)
Fire-Cured (21)	1,625	1,710
Fire-Cured (22-23)	16,065	16,818
Dark Air-Cured (35-36)	5,587	5,038
Sun-Cured (37)	117	118
Cigar Filler & Binder (42-44 & 53-55)	2,191	3,451

Producers who exceed acreage allotments for tobaccos under marketing quotas are subject to marketing quota penalties. The penalty rate is 75 percent of the

previous year's average market price.

The marketing year for all tobaccos covered in this fact sheet begins October 1.

Support Level

Following are national support levels for the 1998 and 1999 crops. USDA sets individual grade rates before the marketing season begins:

Kind (type)	Average Support Level (cents per pound)	
	1999	1998
Dark Air-Cured (35-36)	148.1	145.0
Fire-Cured (21)	155.9	153.6
Fire-Cured (22-23)	171.6	168.1
Sun-Cured (37)	138.0	136.0
Cigar Filler & Binder (42-44 & 53-55)	123.8	121.2

The 1999 support levels are 2.0 to 3.5 cents above 1998 support levels.

Support Method

Nonrecourse loans are available on 1999 production for the five quota tobaccos listed. Price support is provided to growers through producer associations under contractual terms with USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation

(CCC). The associations receive the tobacco not sold at the support rate, using funds loaned by CCC.

Producers are required to certify that they have not nested their tobacco and also that pesticides used in producing tobacco have been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and that these products have been used in accordance with label directions.

Assessments

As a condition of price support eligibility, producers of these various kinds of tobacco must pay an assessment on each pound of tobacco marketed to ensure the price support program operates at no net cost to taxpayers, as required by the No Net Cost Tobacco Program Act of 1982.

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	Production (million lbs.)	National Average Loan Level -----	No-Net-Cost Assessment (cents per lb.)-----	Average Price to Farmers -----	Farm Value (\$millions)
Virginia Fire-Cured Tobacco (type 21)					
1991	3.6	133.2	12.0000	152.6	5.4
1992	2.6	136.7	13.3165	161.5	4.2
1993	1.9	139.5	11.3025	171.9	3.3
1994	2.4	140.7	7.2965	161.2	3.9
1995	1.5	143.0	15.2850	162.5	2.4
1996	1.7	145.5	3.2725	179.0	3.0
1997	2.0	149.8	2.2510	212.5	4.3
1998	2.4	153.6	1.2320		
1999		155.9			
Kentucky-Tennessee Fire-Cured Tobacco (types 22-33)					
1991	29.3	136.7	1.3165	213.4	62.6
1992	34.2	142.1	1.2895	217.3	74.4
1993	39.0	146.4	0.7680	219.4	85.6
1994	45.9	148.3	1.2585	209.2	96.0
1995	37.7	151.8	1.2410	217.2	81.9
1996	42.5	155.7	1.2215	224.5	95.4
1997	40.3	162.3	0.1885 ¹ 1.1885 ²	225.6	90.9
1998	40.4	168.1	0.1595 ¹ 1.1595 ²		
1999		171.6			
Kentucky-Tennessee Dark-Air-Cured Tobacco (types 35-36)					
1991	8.7	116.9	0.8310	184.0	16.1
1992	10.3	121.7	0.8915	169.4	17.4
1993	11.1	125.5	0.8725	171.5	19.0
1994	11.7	127.3	1.3635	168.5	19.7
1995	8.5	130.4	2.3480	176.2	15.0
1996	8.6	133.9	2.3305	195.2	16.8
1997	8.2	139.8	0.3010 ¹ 1.3010 ² 2.3010 ³	201.7	16.5
1998	10.1	145.0	0.2750 ¹ 1.2750 ³ 2.2750 ²		
1999		148.1			
Virginia Sun-Cured Tobacco (type 37)					
1991	.1	117.7	12.0000	143.4	0.2
1992	.1	120.8	13.3960	138.0	0.2
1993	.1	123.3	11.3835	152.1	0.2
1994	.1	124.5	7.3775	147.6	0.2
1995	.1	126.5	15.3675	153.0	0.2
1996	.1	128.8	3.3560	178.2	0.2
1997	.1	132.6	2.3370	190.8	0.2
1998	.1	136.0	1.3200		
1999		138.0			
Cigar Binder Tobacco (types 53-55) (Wisconsin)					
1991	15.2	101.4	0	0	23.5
1992	12.8	105.4	0	0	19.1
1993	6.6	107.4	0	0	9.6
1994	5.9	108.4	0.4580	145.0	8.6
1995	6.2	110.1	0.4495	0.4495	9.0
1996	5.2	112.0	0.4400	0.4400	7.7
1997	5.7	116.9	0.4155	0.4155	8.6
1998	4.2	121.2	1.3940	3.3940	
1999		123.8			

¹Eastern Dark Fired Tobacco Growers Association

²Western Dark Fired Tobacco Growers Association

³Stemming District Tobacco Growers Association